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MRS. S. PORTER STEARNS

WILLIAM P. MORTON

The death of Mrs. Stearns at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Elliott C. Park, on Saturday morning, April 24th, takes from our midst a very remarkable woman. The words of admiration and affection which spring to our lips to-day neither strike a new and unaccustomed note, nor pay a tardy tribute. The devotion of her children has left nothing undone or unsaid which could add to her awareness of their pride in her unusual qualities, and their joy in her companionship. Constantly have her friends owned themselves her debtors for an inspiring example of a serene and beautiful old age. So, happily, the outpouring of appreciation now is but the going-on of a recognition which has long been accorded her.

Mrs. Morton was the oldest of the children of the late Henry F. and Lulu (Furley) Morton, and was born June 23, 1862. In his younger years he was for a while in New York state, and for some time in California, but most of his life was spent in Paris. He attended the Paris schools and Hebrew Academy, and was for a time a student in Colby College.

A native artistic ability and opportunity to exercise it turned him to the work of ornamental painting, at which he was long engaged. For years he did decorative painting for the Paris Manufacturing Co., but for some years had been in the business of making signs of all kinds and doing outdoor advertising with billboards and otherwise. He also painted some stage scenery, including that now in use in Grange Hall and Good Cheer Hall.

He was a supporter of the Universalist church, and an attendant at its services. He was a past master of Paris Lodge, F. and A. M., of South Paris, and a past high priest of Oxford Chapter of Norway. Unassuming in his manner, he could always be depended upon as a friend. As has been frequently remarked of him in the past few days, he was one of the very few men who can pass out and not leave an enemy behind.

Mrs. Morton was twice married, first to Mrs. Jennie Whitney, who died young. Later he married Mrs. Agnes Briggs Ponchot of South Paris, who survives him. He is also survived by one sister, Miss Julia P. Morton, and three brothers, George R., Harry A., and Clarence G., all of South Paris, and other relatives.

The funeral was held at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Morton's mother, Mrs. Louise J. Briggs, on Pine Street, where she and Mrs. and Mrs. Morton had made one household. Rev. Chester Gore Miller attended, speaking in high terms of Mrs. Morton. There was a large attendance of relatives and friends. The Enteredeman Club, of which Mrs. Morton is a member, attended in a body, and Paris Lodge of Masons attended and rendered the funeral service of the order following the regular service. Burial is in the Morton family lot in Riverside Cemetery, Oxford Democrat.

When her granddaughter at length was taking astronomy the grand mother's interest in plants and constellations fully equalled the student's own. The glory of the heavens enthralled her. Her children remember how she would rise from her bed at night and stand at the window. When roused with, she would say, "Don't you know that looking at the sky redeems me?" So always for her love the large things dominated and controlled the small and petty.

Mrs. Stearns was, in the best and most attractive interpretation of the term, a lady of the old school. Modest as she was in most points of view, she always persistently, if quietly, clung to the little qualities of manner, which clung to good society in her earliest days. She carried herself perfectly. Never in her most unguarded moments was the guilty of slouching. Her friends have often rallied her, even though her perfect breeding forbade her betraying it, they knew she inwardly felt conscious of a sense of shame when she paraded in public. Still the fifteen miles she possessed were the epitome of her worth. If she had the bold to be cold, she was, nevertheless, widely tolerant of the kindly and freedom of this day and generation, and had ready sympathy with the changing spirit of youth. In her last, despite her poor, feeble, her graceful figure, the same spirit of youth found unquestionable. She was always refined to grace old age. Her quiet smile, her gentle eyes, her soft voice, her benevolent capacity for enjoyment, the smile she would have done. It was the Universitarians at South Paris and Norman was assisted by Rev. Charles Esterhause, pastor of the Universitarians church at Bethel.

Among those who have the memory of the present time are Florence C. Park, Leah Deneffit, Guy Cross, Gordon Merrill, John Harrington, Richard Brown and Frank Parsons.

No words of Mrs. Stearns should fail to state her satisfaction in her child-

BETHEL AND VICINITY

Mr. F. J. Tyler is in Boston on a business trip.

The family of Robert Clough are out of quarantine.

Mrs. Elliott Rich, who has been very ill, is improving.

Frank Taylor is doing some repairing on his tenements.

Mrs. A. E. Herrick was in Portland Friday and Saturday.

Mr. D. T. Durrell was confined to the house a few days last week by illness.

Miss Velma Frank of Norway was the week end guest of Miss Anna Mar-tyn.

Rev. and Mrs. C. B. Oliver are attending the Methodist Conference at Rockland.

Miss Esther Tyler is spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Tyler.

Prof. W. R. Chapman left Monday for a business trip to northern Aroostook County.

The remains of M. F. Lord of South Paris were placed in the receiving tomb recently.

Mr. A. F. Copeland was in Waterville Saturday, to attend the funeral of A. W. West.

The first thunder shower of the season came early Sunday morning. The lightning was sharp and the thunder heavy but no damage was done.

Friends of Mrs. Annie Emery, who has been ill for some time at the home of her daughter in Portland will be pleased to know that she is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Lord, Mr. and Mrs. V. G. Lord and two daughters and Mrs. Myra Lord, of South Paris, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Nowlin one day last week.

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A very interesting program was given at Old Fellow Hall, Monday evening, a lover of nature, amidst upon the shore of Silver Lake and was fascinated by a good size of audience. The program included an illustrated lecture on "History of Old Fellowship," by Rev. Charles Esterhause, music by a male quartet, and instrumental music by Herrick's orchestra.

Mr. A. Van Den Kerkhofen was in Portland last Wednesday to attend the directors meeting of the Maine Telephone Association. The meetings are held at the hotel on the floor of the room in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. H. Nowlin, June 11, 1926, in Waterville, Maine.

Mr. Van Den Kerkhofen had remained

of the reservation.

Mr. L. W. Hawley recently located his eight room and board quite easily.

He was using hot water and gas.

He is located on the floor of one of the rooms in his home in Brand Street, and has copper and silk curtains hanging in front of his windows.

Although very peaceful the in-

terior is being kept in the

Maine summer hotel.

Hartford Falls Times

SILVER LAKE HOTEL  
AND BUILDINGS BURNED

Owned by Arthur Marchand of Mexico

—Fire Started from Defective Chimney—Building Over Half a Century Old—Marchand to Rebuild When Weather Permits

One of the famous old hosteries of Oxford County, the Silver Lake House

situated a few miles from Andover, was burned to the ground Monday morning or last week and with it went a barn, garage and boathouse with several boats and hundreds of dollars worth of

books and papers. The fire started about seven in the morning from a defective chimney and it was discovered by Arthur Marchand of Mexico, who has owned the property for the past 14 years. Damage is estimated at \$12,000.

For a week previous to the fire Mr. Marchand, his father, and a hired man had been at Silver Lake preparing for the opening of the summer hotel. On

the morning of the fire Mr. Marchand, the father, rose at 4 o'clock and

started a fire in the stoves, one of which

was in the office and the other in the

kitchen and both were connected to the

same chimney.

At seven o'clock, when the fire had just finished eating breakfast, smoke was seen pouring through the roof of the structure and an effort was made to get to the second story of the building but it was futile as, even then, every chamber was dense with thick black smoke.

Water connections had not been made and the three men hopefully resorted to water buckets. The buildings were adjoining and from house and hotel to the end of the garage everything burned like tinder.

From the 14 rooms of the hotel nothing was saved. The contents of the barn were burned totally. A ten

truck, four Kennebec boats, and a few miscellaneous belongings that were in the office and store were all that were saved from the sweeping flames.

The buildings were insured for \$3,500

and it is estimated that \$12,000 worth

of damage was done to property and

belongings. Mr. Marchand will begin

to rebuild on the site of the fire as soon

as the roads are in condition to haul

material to the land. At the present

time five feet of snow lie on the ground

surrounding the burned area.

Sixty years ago, Charles P. Edmunds, a lover of nature, landed upon the shore of Silver Lake and was fascinated by a good size of audience. The program included an illustrated lecture on "History of Old Fellowship," by Rev. Charles Esterhause, music by a male quartet, and instrumental music by Herrick's orchestra.

Pastor Edmunds, a brother, succeeded Charles on the present site and with improvements he founded the Edith Hotel on the shore of Silver Lake and was fascinated by a good size of audience. The program included an illustrated lecture on "History of Old Fellowship," by Rev. Charles Esterhause, music by a male quartet, and instrumental music by Herrick's orchestra.

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Farm Radio Making Rapid Growth—There Are Nearly 1,000,000 Radio Sets on Farms in the United States.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

There are nearly 1,000,000 radio sets on farms in the United States, the Department of Agriculture estimates in a report on the growth of farm radio during the past five years.

In some states, the department says, there are radio sets on 25 to 40 per cent of all farms. Estimates made by the department in 1923 showed 145,000 sets in use on farms at that time; 265,000 sets in 1924, and 550,000 sets early in 1925.

Increased power and improved broadcasting, together with better receiving sets, the department believes, "will do much to aid in establishing the permanency of the use of radio for the benefit of agriculture."

"One station alone in a period of three months' broadcasting of market and weather reports, received more than 3,000 letters of commendation from farmers, country banks, shippers of live stock, and small merchants in the towns in 12 agricultural states surrounding the station."

Interference among stations may gradually be eliminated, the department believes, as many of the less active stations are being discontinued, and technical improvements are being made in both broadcasting and receiving equipment. Of 1,428 radio stations of all sizes licensed to broadcast since broadcasting began, only 636 were active on January 1 this year.

**Co-Operative Arrangements.**

The department has made co-operative arrangements with more than 100 stations for broadcasting official market news gathered by department representatives in leading shipping and marketing areas. Since the first of the year the department has made arrangements with about 90 stations to broadcast on a regular schedule all additional services dealing with general agricultural information.

Literally hundreds of stations have requested the privilege of handling the government reports, but many of the requests have had to be refused the department says, because the stations are remote from the department's market news branch offices.

"When the experimental radio market news service was announced on December 21, 1923," the report states, "those in the Department of Agriculture who were directing the new activity hardly anticipated the wonderful possibilities of radio broadcasting as we now know it. A laboratory transmitter at the United States Bureau of Standards on a 400-meter wave length, a few enthusiastic amateurs within a bounded circle of Washington and a p. o. a. schedule of about 600 words by radio telegraph comprising what was called the 'radio market news' communicated the elements of the experiment."

"The practical results of this first experiment could hardly be called surprising, but they gave encouragement to those in charge of it to push on to the limit of success and some evidence the April 1, 1924, an announcement was made that arrangements had been concluded with the several radio service of the Post Office Department to transmit by wireless market reports several times a day from post office stations at Washington, D. C., Baltimore, Md., St. Louis, Mo., and Omaha, Neb.

**Assists Were Extended.**

"Assists an effective radio news service of 500 cities about each six days. Unpaid assistants in the areas served were entitled to copy the reports and to furnish them to telephone exchanges, usually assist state bureaus of markets, farm bureaus and other agricultural agencies, trade newspapers and local telephone exchanges. A number of thousand operators offered to copy the reports. By January 1, 1925, the market reports were being copied and forwarded by radio telegraph from seven post office stations in a state across the country."

"During 1924, reports were furnished to more of the then very few radio independent broadcasting stations. Since then the service has grown by leaps

## RECITES STORY OF FIRST U. S. HIKER

### Explorations of De Vaca Told in Ancient Book.

Claremont, Cal.—A rare volume containing the story of what purports to be the first transcontinental foot journey for a white man in the conquest of North America, is the latest addition to the William S. Mason collection of Western Americans in Pomona college library.

The book tells of the adventures of Cabeza de Vaca, Spanish explorer, in journeying through the southern section of the United States between the years 1528 and 1536, and of his explorations in the River Plata countries of South America after his appointment as governor of the region in 1536.

An expedition of which Vaca was a member, left Spain in 1527 headed for Florida and Louisiana. It was wrecked on the Florida coast. Fifty survivors drifted to the coast of Texas in rudely constructed boats and made shore November 6, 1528. All but 15 died of disease or starvation and these became slaves of the Indians.

By a stroke of good luck, Vaca staved off threatened death for himself and companions by posing to the Indians as a divine healer, usually able to cure minor maladies.

After six years, Vaca, with two companions, escaped. They reached the coast of California and turned southward, arriving at Mexico City, July 24, 1536.

As a reward for his exploring services Vaca was appointed governor of the provinces of the Rio de la Plata in South America. Here he incurred the jealousy of his compatriots and was sent back to Spain in irons, remaining in prison six years awaiting trial. Eventually, he was exiled to Africa.

Two editions of the first portion of the book are known to be in existence—one in the New York public library and the other in the British museum at London.

### ON LONG TRIP



Richard A. Granville, eighteen, has started out with a dollar in his pocket to travel around the world. He intends to earn his way.

### Centenarians Will Be Common in Next Century

London.—Men and women one hundred years old will be active in business and social affairs by 2025, it is predicted by Sir Kingsley Wood, parliamentary secretary to the British ministry of health.

"In the next century there is no doubt in my mind that the average expectation of life will be one hundred years, and a person of seventy will be regarded as comparatively young," said Sir Kingsley, who has recommended more physical exercise for members of the house of commons.

"Good health and good temper go together," he continued, "and if the members of parliament took more exercise fewer members would be suspended, and wild and excited scenes in the house would disappear."

### Announce New Method of Painless Childbirth

New York.—A method which it is claimed will make childbirth painless and to an extent followed by no pain was described by Dr. James T. Gwathmey, city of this city. Doctor Gwathmey spoke of the conception of the Medical society of New York state.

Women's twilight sleep depended on anesthetics to bring about insensibility, the new method accomplished its ends by the actual elimination of pain, he said.

After method, Doctor Gwathmey continued, consists of three injections, two of cocaine sulphate and one of a mixture of cocaine sulphate with small quantities of morphine and cocaine. The combination of drugs was new, said Doctor Gwathmey, and the danger element less than in twilight sleep.

### Latest From Paris

Paris.—Arms are concealed just as men's legs are concealed in the latest model as displayed at the Longchamps race track's grand opening. Whatever cloth is used in the skirt is used in the rest of the frock.

These, very early in the fashion of the day, were introduced in 1924, and each were fitted to fit over the legs. It is thought that the opening of a certain part of the garment makes it easier to walk. The opening of a certain part of the garment makes it easier to walk.

**Insures Road Roller**

Boston, Mass.—The city, named for Paul Revere, has insured his street road roller against fire and theft. It cost \$100 for four days last year.

## POLAR EXPEDITIONS WELL WORTH WHILE

### Organizer of Arctic Parties Defends Projects,

New York.—Justification for the risk and expenditure of money involved in three American Arctic expeditions last summer was given by Robert Anderson Pope, organizer of the All-American Alumnae Arctic expedition. His outfit will be commanded by Lieut. Leigh Wade, assisted by Lieut. H. H. Ogden, both of whom are round-the-world flyers.

All three expeditions will attempt to locate and claim for the United States a large body of land believed to lie north of Alaska and eastern Siberia, spoken of by the explorers as "a new polar continent." The National Geographic Society estimates that this land comprises about 1,000,000 square miles.

Natives of the northern Alaskan and Siberian coasts long have been convinced that land lay to the northward, explains Mr. Pope. They base their belief chiefly upon the northerly flight of birds in the spring, just before nesting season. Some scientists think the birds fly clear across the pole to Spitzbergen and Franz Joseph Land, but the majority think they would not be likely to attempt such a long flight at the beginning of the nesting season.

**Resting Place Near By.**

E. W. Nelson, chief of the bureau of biological survey of the United States Department of Agriculture, recalled the evidence of Captain Cook on the Corwin, in 1881, who found innumerable fresh tracks of wild geese on Wrangel Island, but not a sign of the geese themselves, indicating a temporary stopping place.

Capt. John Keenan of Troy, N. Y., cruising the Beautiful sea, north of the Alaskan shore, in search of whales in the seventies, offered more substantial evidence. After taking several whales the weather became thick and he stood to the north. When the fog lifted land to the north was seen distinctly by him and all the members of his crew.

Pope, on his unsuccessful attempt to reach the pole in 1906, reported that he sighted land to the northwest of Grant Land. Observing from an elevation of about 2,000 feet, he could see land at a great distance, which he named Crocker Land. Further north between latitudes 85° and 87° degrees, almost at the pole, he found bear and fox tracks, indicating that land was not a great distance away.

### Tidal Movement.

The late R. A. Harris of the United States coast and geodetic survey offered what the explorers believe to be far more substantial information. Mr. Harris claimed that virtually all the tidal movement at the pole depends upon pressure from the tides of the north Atlantic ocean entering the circum-polar sea between Greenland and Spitzbergen.

If there were no obstruction the tides at Bennett Island, north of the Siberian coast, would be the same as at Point Barrow, he said. But the tides at Bennett Island rise and fall 23 feet, while off Point Barrow there is a tide of only 0.4 foot. Mr. Harris held this to be proof positive that there is some great obstruction around which the tides must flow. Further evidence of land was furnished by indications that the Beaufort sea virtually is closed in to the north and eastward. Ice does not drift freely to the northward. It seems to be caught in a pocket, and is of remarkable thickness and age. Northeast winds will drive the ice to the westward, but there is little or no movement of the ice when the wind blows from the west.

### Scientist Makes Glass Eyes That Can Be Moved

Berlin.—Investigation into the manner in which some of the fortunes of Germany's former royal houses were acquired, in connection with the question of indemnification by the republic, has disclosed that German princes up to the Nineteenth century had sold 290,000 of their subjects for \$3,750,000 to England for army service against the American colonies, the French and other enemies.

Duke Karl Wilhelm Ferdinand of Braunschweig sent 4,300 men to England for \$38 a head, it is disclosed, with an additional indemnity of \$22 a head for each man killed in action, three wounded men to be counted as one dead one.

Landgrave Frederick of Hesse "sold" 12,000 Hessians at \$75 a head, with an annual "rental" fee of \$50,000.

There has been produced a letter from the Landgrave of Hessen-Cassel to Baron Holendorf, his commanding officer in the American colonies, in which the writer commanded the baron "for seeing to it that of 1,000 of the landgrave's peasants in the battle of Trenton only 300 escaped alive."

"Be sure to send an itemized statement of the losses to London," the letter continues, "as the English minister wants to pay me for only 1,455 killed. I am entirely dissatisfied with Major Mindorf, who, according to dispatches, succeeded in saving his battalion of Hessians."

### Tokyo Girls Object to Marriage Customs

Tokyo.—The modern Japanese girl—a canvas at a girls' high school disclosed—does not favor the present-day system under which most of the marriages are "arranged."

In opposition to the prevailing mode, fifty-three girls in one school said that to marry men of whom they had no previous knowledge was dangerous.

Doctor Mueller found that in 90 out of 100 cases of the loss of an eye the muscles and nerves controlling the movement of the eye were unpaired.

He said he fastens connective muscle tissue of animals to a glass eye and grafts these tissues onto the remnants of the human eye muscles. The extremely delicate operation requires about an hour, and he has been successful in from 60 to 80 per cent of his cases. Success depends to a large extent, he asserted, upon the condition of the eye socket after the loss of the eye.

### Picks Good Name

New Haven, Conn.—Emmanuel Hashi could become one of Uncle Sam's citizens, but under the name of Emanuel H. Adel, which, he explains, in Syrian means justice.

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### Parents Call on City to Ban Santa Claus

Vancouver, B. C.—The Vancouver city council and the Vancouver Parent Teachers' association are contending by the Vancouver Parent Teachers' association that impersonations of Santa Claus be discontinued. Indulgence of children, when promised made by the city, leads to department stores to make gifts on Christmas day, was cited as the reason.

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## 1,363,000 FRENCH KILLED IN BATTLE

### Statistics Are Striking Appeal Against Wars.

Paris.—The most striking appeal against future war is contained in statistics finally worked out regarding the lasting records of France's war losses. M. Gustave Cadoux, former president of the Paris Statistical society, now has made reckonings which peace organizations in every country might well keep in mind for future propaganda.

The population of France at the outbreak of the war was 35,000,000. From these the government mobilized the army and navy 8,355,000. Of this number 1,363,000 lost their lives. This figure represents one-sixth of the mobilized effectives, one-seventh of the masculine population of the country and one-twentieth of the whole.

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in Masonic Hall the second  
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# The Wife-SHIP Woman

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Author of "Kings of the Missouri," "Pay Gravel," "A Virginia Scout," etc.

### CHAPTER X—Continued

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She was coolly saying:

"Monsieur forgot himself. I also will forget. He meant to be kind; so his fault is amiable. I will see that monsieur is well paid for his time and worry and the dangers he encounters. He shall be paid in gold. I am without money just now. I may choose to demean myself by labor. But—but I always pay my debts."

I knew two things as she uttered this preposterous talk—she was adorable, regardless of her past history; and she deserved to be slapped. I rose and bowed, and said:

"It is all forgotten. If in anything I have said or done I have impressed you as one who would help a helpless woman for so many pieces of gold or silver then you shall pay me. If you decide to the contrary you will never mention the pay again. I only ask that during the rest of the trip neither of us be foolish enough to remember this talk to be embarrassed by it."

She frowned, as if puzzled by my words, then gave a little shrug to show she dismissed the whole matter. But in the back of my mind was the amazing fact that I had offered to marry her, to extirate her from a hundred and one humiliations, let alone dangers, and had been coldly refused because of "pride."

Labrador returned and reported:

"If Damoan visited the Tunica village he has not left it. No Choctaws have traveled inland from the river."

Old Six Fingers came cursing his way through the bushes, and snarled at me:

"No gold, no diamonds, and no d—n gourd. So you get no water."

"Then we will move on and find the Humas village. I will scout ahead and see if they will lift the peace calumet. Labrador, hold back with mademoiselle until you get my signal to come on."

"A moment, Monsieur Brampton," she sharply demanded. "We will go together, or not at all. One brave gentleman has lost his life to serve me. Now we will all share alike."

She was as regal as a marquis in hauteur, and the tilt of the small head was suggestive of one used to authority.

"It must be as I say," I told her. "But there will be no danger. Fear nothing because of me."

Instantly her mood changed, and she was clinging to my arm, and tearfully pleading:

"Let me go with you, monsieur. I beg of you to let me go with you."

I glanced sideways at the lowering Six Fingers and murmured,

"It can harm you none. It is dependent on me for his very life. Besides you will have my friend."

"And you thought I was thinking of myself!" she sadly remarked, turning away.

With an order to Labrador—in Chocaw—to hold her back if I received a hostile welcome, I hurried up the path to the Humas village. Half an hour was sufficient to bring me to the ten-foot stockade surrounding the village. There was loud singing inside the stockade and I remained at the edge of the forest, wondering what could occasion it so early in the morning; for singing meant some ceremony.

Obviously something of importance had happened, or was about to happen, and I would have preferred seeking sanctuary there when the savages were not overruled by their emotions. But to be found lurking outside of the village would place us at a great disadvantage, and if such be the Humas whom classify us as captives. Nor could we retreat to the river where Damoan and his Choctaws would have but little trouble in gobbling us up. So, assuming my best air, I advanced and came face to face with a warrior just inside the gate.

We stared at each other a moment, then his face cracked in a smile, and he extended a hand, and said:

"My white brother is welcome. The White Indian has a red heart when he is with the Humas."

I had been among Indians enough to distinguish them as individuals, just as I would white men, and as I held his hand I remembered him and repled:

"The White Indian comes to renew his red heart with Little Turkey and his people and to smoke the calumet with Strong Bow."

Strong Bow was head chief of the Humas, and a very old man. I had smoked with him the year before and I was anxious to find him.

To my relief Little Turkey said:

"Strong Bow is now in his cabin after seeing the dance. He has smoked the calumet once this morning, but he is never too weary to lift the pipe to the White Indian."

He turned and walked away, and I followed him.

We had an open path to the chief's cabin, which was built of posts, plastered with clay. Split canes formed the roof. Outside the opening was a raised platform on which were piled bearskins and skins. Through the entrance I saw Strong Bow reclining on a couch of skins and cane mats.

A young warrior, a grandson of the

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Strong Bow did not seem to notice his grandson's ill manners. He sat up, I squatted on the floor, and the two of us stared at the beaten earth for nearly a minute.

Then the chief said: "The White Indian does not forget the red (Humus) Choctaws. He brings presents to the chief's cabin would be my enemy. I observed the slight straightening of his figure and a flash of his eyes in a sidelong glance. I looked to one side and beheld Damoan the Fox and a group of warlords approaching us. The chief's grandson had informed my enemy of my presence, for he stood at Damoan's right hand and was pointing at me.

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The Choctaws fell back. Damoan cursed in French and ordered them to seize me. But even his new ally, the chief's grandson, dared not see the peace of the pipe violated. I heard him remind the Fox that the stem of the peace calumet did not extend beyond the stockade; in plain English, once outside the palings we could fight to our heart's desire and the savages would enjoy watching the spectacle. But the village inside the stockade, like the Cherokee "white" towns, was sanctuary, and those who had been received in peace could not be disturbed.

With the first flush of anger succeeded by cold reason Damoan knew the uselessness of opposing this ancient custom of the Humas. With his thumbs hooked in his red sash he swaggered up to me, and quietly greeted:

"So, English spy, I've caught you at last."

"French spy, you mean you have caught up with me," I corrected. "And where are the rest of your red friends—aside from those feeding the catfish in the river?"

He showed his teeth in a thin-lipped grin and informed me:

"Outside, hunting for your friends. No pipes have been smoked out there; I told them not to hurt the woman. I think I shall keep her."

He desired to entice me into the smoke before putting the stem to my lips.

"The pipe is lifted to the White Indian and his three friends," he gravely agreed.

Then I smoked to the sun and the four winds and the earth and passed the pipe to him, and, not to be outdone in courtesy, held it while he repeated the sacred obligation.

After the pipe had been hung on the post the chief said: "It is the second peace I have smoked since the sun began shining."

Little Turkey had said the same and a faint apprehension of danger disturbed me. I was keen to inquire who his first visitor was, but this would be a grave social blunder. So I produced one of my pistols and placed it on his couch. With a grunt of delight he seized upon the weapon, which was of large bore and gloriously decorated with silver. Little Turkey touched my arm to intimate the audience was ended. I followed him into the sunroom just inside the gate.

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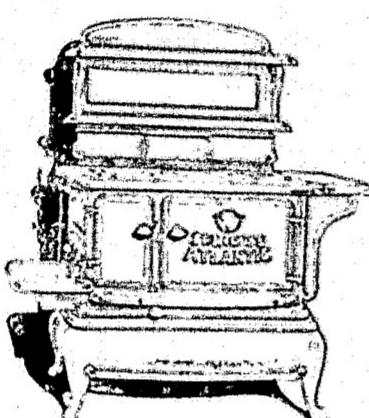
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wife of Auburn is visiting  
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**GOULD ACADEMY NOTES**

The three plays to be presented by members of the senior class on Thursday evening, April 29, in the William Birmingham Gymnasium, under the direction of Miss Brett Heurlin, should bring a full house. Tickets, adults 55¢, all students 25¢, reserved seats on sale at Bessemer's Drug Store, Inc. The proceeds will be used towards graduation expenses.

May 12 is the date set for the annual item exhibition.

The tea given by the Girl Reserve at the Maine Training Student Home on Wednesday was a delightful occasion. Nearly one hundred guests were served, including girls of the school and their mothers and friends. A program consisting of ten songs was given by the girl trainees who were joined by their mothers and by Mr. and Elizabeth Coffin, and a solo by Mrs. Virginia Goodwin, girl pianist.

An event of interest to the students and their mothers was the awarding of scholarships and letters of credit for professional training. The following awards were given:

Boggs, Ruth, Redwood Clapboards, Captain Reciting Scholarship, Bethel, N. H.; Dr. John Fox, winter sports; H. W. Munger and John C. Nichols, Hennock, Kenneth St. L.

**NUMERALS**

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**ANDOVER**

Long Mountain Lodge will be open regularly all day during the fall Saturday, May 1. The visitors' room, and Mrs. W. H. Hinckley, Mrs. George Hinckley, Mrs. Alice Franklin. There will be a general refreshment program available.

The 30th Reunion of the Andover Class of 1906 will be held Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Louis Hinckley is a guest at the home of her mother, Mrs. Smith, Saturday.

Mrs. Holman Hinckley has been the guest of her son, Harold Hinckley, in past week.

Mr. Richard Hinckley and little daughter from Farmington arrived on tour Saturday and with Mr. Steffens are boarding with Mrs. Margaret Hall.

Master Harold Hinckley, Jr., who has been ill with pneumonia is much improved. Mrs. Charles Roberts is caring for him.

Master Raymond Hinckley and his friends of Andover Saturday. Games were played and a most enjoyable day was passed. The present wife, Marchester, Howard Hinckley, Harold Hinckley, Elmo and Lee Elliot.

Mrs. Emma Cushing Page, wife of Clifford Page passed away Friday of cancer at her home on Main Street, after a few days illness. Clifford Page's widow, she was born and died in Andover. She was the daughter of the late George and Martha Dunn.

Surrounding her husband, a daughter, five sons of age, two mothers, one sister, and one brother, Mrs. N. B. Newell of Hallowell and Mrs. Charles Hinckley, half brothers and sisters, Bernard, Edward and Basil Hinckley, Miss Marion Hinckley, Mrs. Joe Falkland and Mrs. Arthur Noble of the town.

The funeral was held at the Congregational Church, Monson forenoon, Rev. Frank Gardner Willis from Rumford presiding.

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1927—Harry Parsons, basket ball; Ronald Keedy, basket ball; Clarence Race, basket ball; Allen French, basket ball; Leo Stearns, basket ball; Philip Hamlin, basket ball and track; Charles Austin, track.

1928—Franklin Kendall, soccer, track, gymnastics, winter sports; Gerald York, soccer, winter sports, gymnastics; Sidney Brown, soccer; Garard Eames, soccer; Charles Hasleton, soccer; Clayton Kendall, soccer, gymnastics; Arthur Corkery, soccer, track; Malcolm Matheson, soccer; Hubert Stevens, soccer and gymnastics; Franklin Burris, winter sports; Kenneth Stanley, soccer, track, gymnastics, winter sports.

To win numerals, one must be a member of the Championship Class team in that particular branch of athletics with the exception of track and winter sports in which the individual first place winners are awarded their class insignia.

Mrs. Annie Pearce of Hebron was the week end guest of her sister, Miss Nellie Whitman at the Students' Home.

SOUTH ALBANY

Mr. Roy G. Wardwell returned to the mill to work Monday, after being sick with the flu.

Mrs. Ernest Grever is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Allen.

Mr. J. H. Stone was a week end guest at his home in Harrison.

Calvert Puderton called to see Roy Wardwell Friday.

Mr. Robinson at Stoners camp is quite ill. Dr. Nelson from Norway was called to attend him.

Mrs. E. K. Shedd recently bought a car of George Briggs.

Mr. A. J. Bernatchy was through this vicinity last week.

Walter Lord is the R. E. D. man for a few days.

Mrs. A. J. Verner is spending a few days in Portland.

Eva Johnson is still with the Rev. Charles Morse in Norway Saturday.

Ruth McPhee was ill and unable to work several days at work.

W. B. Thompson gave birth to a baby boy and his parents, J. A. Thompson and his wife, are doing well.

Mrs. Anna Hinckley has been the guest of her son, Harold Hinckley, in past week.

Mr. Richard Hinckley and little daughter from Farmington arrived on tour Saturday and with Mr. Steffens are boarding with Mrs. Margaret Hall.

Master Harold Hinckley, Jr., who has been ill with pneumonia is much improved. Mrs. Charles Roberts is caring for him.

Master Raymond Hinckley and his friends of Andover Saturday. Games were played and a most enjoyable day was passed. The present wife, Marchester, Howard Hinckley, Harold Hinckley, Elmo and Lee Elliot.

Mrs. Emma Cushing Page, wife of Clifford Page passed away Friday of cancer at her home on Main Street, after a few days illness. Clifford Page's widow, she was born and died in Andover. She was the daughter of the late George and Martha Dunn.

The funeral was held at the Congregational Church, Monson forenoon, Rev. Frank Gardner Willis from





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